



Outdoor Use Examples

The tables on this page are sample comparisons of water and sewer bills, both with and without an accompanying outdoor use account. Your actual savings will vary.

Residential example comparison:

g/m = gallons/month	7,000 g/m	14,000 g/m	30,000 g/m
5/8" residential meter only (no lawn meter installed)	\$53.62	\$106.41	\$253.93
5/8" residential meter (Base usage of 3,000 gallons monthly)	\$14.67	\$14.67	\$14.67
5/8" lawn meter (Remainder of water used for irrigation)	\$27.65	\$64.54	\$148.86
Total monthly cost for both meters	\$42.32	\$79.29	\$163.53
Savings	\$11.30	\$27.12	\$90.40

Commercial example comparison:

g/m = gallons/month	12,000 g/m	30,000 g/m	60,000 g/m
1" commercial meter only (no lawn meter installed)	\$108.21	\$251.85	\$491.25
1" commercial meter (Base usage of 10,000 gallons monthly)	\$92.25	\$92.25	\$92.25
1" lawn meter (Remainder of water used for irrigation)	\$25.09	\$114.68	\$272.78
Total monthly cost for both meters	\$117.34	\$206.93	\$365.03
Savings	\$9.13	\$44.92	\$126.22

Multi-family example comparison:

g/m = gallons/month	12,000 g/m	30,000 g/m	60,000 g/m
2" multi-family meter only (no lawn meter installed)	\$97.45	\$214.81	\$410.41
2" multi-family meter (Base usage of 10,000 gallons monthly)	\$84.41	\$84.41	\$84.41
1" lawn meter (Remainder of water used for irrigation)	\$25.09	\$114.68	\$272.78
Total monthly cost for both meters	\$109.50	\$199.09	\$357.19
Savings	-\$12.05 (Loss)	\$15.72	\$53.22

Remember that these are just examples. You must look at your own actual usage to determine if you may be able to save money with a lawn meter.